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SECRETTraining and Maneuvers

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Border Guard Schedule (60 hours)

0700-1100 Close order drill, rifle sighting and firing position training
 1100-1200 Lunch and duty roll call
 1200-1300 Changing of border guards
 1300-1700 Tower lookout
 1700-2100 Guard post telephone CQ
 2100-0100 Rest period (sleeping in guardhouse)
 0100-0500 Lookout duty (Podsluch) (Lookout duty consists of lying at one spot near the railroad tracks, generally about 50 m from the guard post.)
 0500-0900 Guard post telephone CQ
 0900-1300 Rest Period (sleeping in guardhouse)
 1300-1400 Changing of border guards
 1400-1500 Lunch and cleaning of weapons
 1500-1800 Political indoctrination classes
 1800-1900 Dinner
 1900-0700 Railroad control and escort duty from Gumienice RR station to border guard posts and return
 0700-1300 Off duty (sleeping in barracks at Gumienice)
 1300-1500 Lunch and free time
 1500-1800 Sports activities and political classes
 1800-1900 Dinner

Alternate Schedule I (36 hours)

1900-2130 Home work and study of political lectures
 2130-2200 Cleanup period and taps
 2200-0500 Rest
 0500-0700 Reveille, cleanup and breakfast
 0700-1800 Railroad escort duty from Gumienice RR station to border guard posts and return
 1800-1900 Supper (relieved from duty by other guard)
 1900-1930 Cleaning of weapons
 1930-2130 Study of political subjects in reading room
 2130-2200 Cleanup detail and taps
 2200-0500 Rest
 0500-0700 Reveille, cleanup and breakfast

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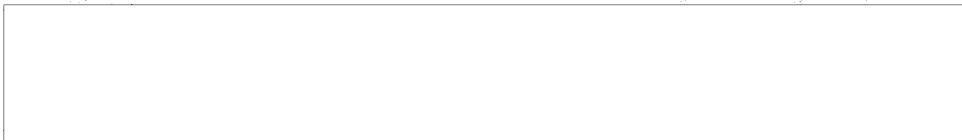
Alternate Schedule II (60 hours)

1900-2000 Guard duty roll call and guard assignment
2000-2400 Guard duty at the caserne gate
2400-0500 Off duty
0500-0700 Reveille, cleanup and breakfast
0700-0800 Free time and cleaning of weapons
0800-1200 Guard duty at the caserne gate
1200-1300 Lunch
1300-1500 Miscellaneous details
1500-1800 Training in rifle sighting and border problems
1800-1900 Dinner
1900-0700 Railroad escort duty
0700-1300 Breakfast and off duty
1300-1500 Lunch and miscellaneous details
1500-1800 Training (various)
1800-1900 Dinner
1900-2000 Weapon cleaning and free time
2000-2130 Study of political lectures in the reading room
2130-2200 Barracks cleanup and taps
2200-0500 Rest
0500-0700 Reveille, cleanup and breakfast

Alternate Schedule III (36 hours)

1900-2000 Free time and cleaning of weapons
2000-2130 Studies of political lectures in reading room
2130-2200 Barracks detail and taps
2200-0500 Off duty
0500-0700 Reveille, cleanup and breakfast
0700-1900 Railroad escort duty (1300: lunch)
1900-2000 Dinner
2000-2130 Studies in reading room
2130-2200 Barracks detail and taps
2200-0500 Off duty
0500-0700 Reveille, cleanup and breakfast

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the railroad hand car a unit of Polish infantry soldiers conducting field training in the vicinity of Stobno (Stoeven) (5325N-1425E). Approximately two companies of soldiers were equipped with rifles and mortars of an unknown caliber and PPSH guns.

Supply and Maintenance

8. The Motor Pool of the 12th WOP Brigade, located at a caserne in Szczecin, performed first and second echelon maintenance for all vehicles assigned to this brigade. [redacted] all vehicles requiring major overhaul were transported to Lodz (5145N-1928E), Kalisz (5145N-1805E), and/or Poznan (Posen) (5225N-1658E).

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13. The strength of new inductees of the 1930 class was less than that of the 1929 class assigned to the WOP Brigade in Szczecin. This is based on the fact that the 42d WOP Battalion (training battalion), 8th WOP Brigade, was divided into eight companies in 1950. In 1951 this same battalion (redesignated the 123d WOP Battalion in October 1950) was divided into seven companies.

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15. Each selective service inductee (draftee-Poborowy) regardless of his enlisted rank must now serve a period of time as shown below:

Air Force	4 years (formerly 3 years)
Navy	4 years (formerly 3 years)
Army	3 years (formerly 2 years)
WOP	2 years, 3 months (3 months basic training)
KBW	2 years, 3 months (3 months basic training)

Any volunteer who enlists prior to the regular induction year is also affected by the above decree which went into effect in September 1951. Each draftee, regardless of his rank, is allowed to re-enlist for periods of three, six, and nine years. He is immediately advanced to the next rank at the time of re-enlistment.

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Reserve Training

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Soviet Mission

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SECRETSoviet Tactical Units

18. As of 20 Oct 51 there was a Soviet infantry unit [redacted] stationed at a caserne across the street from the WOP Caserne in Szczecin. [redacted] the unit is of regimental size. The soldiers wore shoulder boards with a red background. [redacted] the WOP Caserne in Szczecin at which time [redacted] Soviet soldiers were quartered in the caserne across the street from my barracks compound. [redacted] numerous trips to the WOP Caserne. [redacted] this Soviet unit often left the caserne by foot at night during the summer period of both years [redacted] they were participating in night training. [redacted]

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The only contact with the Soviet soldiers was at the firing range which was used by both the Soviet and Polish WOP soldiers. During the short intermissions from firing, the Soviet and Polish soldiers were allowed to converse. [redacted] many of the Soviet soldiers had been in the service for as long as six and seven years and had no idea when they would be returned to the USSR. The relations between the enlisted men were friendly. There was no contact between Polish and Soviet soldiers during off-duty hours. [redacted]

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Soviet Administrative Units

19. [redacted]

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Soviet Training and Organization in the Polish Army

20. The Polish Army and Security Forces were being trained in conformance with Soviet field manuals. [redacted] it is a fact known to every soldier in the Polish Army. [redacted]

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Soviet Weapons and Equipment Furnished to Polish Army Units

21. [redacted]

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Role of the Polish Army in an East-West Conflict

22. [redacted] the role of the Polish Army as it was propagated by the political lectures, except for the statement that it was to defend the Polish border against the aggression of the Western Powers. [redacted]

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Purging of Polish Army Officers

23. [redacted] the recent trials of Polish officers who allegedly were involved in espionage activities for the western powers. There were rumors circulating among the soldiers and civilians in Poland [redacted]

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about the unsuccessful assassination attempt upon Marshal Rokossovsky [redacted] Polish Lt Gen (General Broni) Poplawski refused to send six Polish Army divisions to Korea at the request of Rokossovsky and, infuriated with this request, shot at Rokossovsky with his service pistol. [redacted] never heard of any Polish officers or enlisted men who volunteered for service in Korea.

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Morale in the Polish Army

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Indoctrination of Polish Youth of Preinduction Age

26. [redacted] a cadet school (Szkola Kadetow) was located in Warsaw. All male orphans were reared in this school and trained in military fashion, [redacted] if these orphans were slated to become future officers in the Polish Armed Forces. An organization called "Service for Poland" (Sluzba Polsce) also gave military training to Polish youth prior to their induction into the armed forces.

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SECRETNational Security Corps

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30. The 123d WOP Battalion, formerly the 42d WOP Battalion was located in the WOP Caserne in Szczecin. Each year from July to September, new WOP recruits were assigned to this battalion for basic training. Qualified instructors were assigned from all subordinate battalions and independent subdetachments for this period. The regular guards of this unit performed border patrol duty. [redacted] the following sentry posts (straznice) were handled by this battalion:

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- (a) No. 61 in Kamienice (5317N-1422E)
- (b) No. 62 in Broniszewo (Barnimslow) (5322N-1425E)
- (c) No. 63 in Doluje (Neuenkirchen) (5326N-1424E)
- (d) No. 64 in Dobra Szczecinska (Daber) (5329N-1423E)
- (e) Probably No. 65 and No. 66 [redacted]

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31. The (?) WOP Battalion at the Port of Szczecin controlled traffic on the Oder River and at the Port of Szczecin. [redacted]

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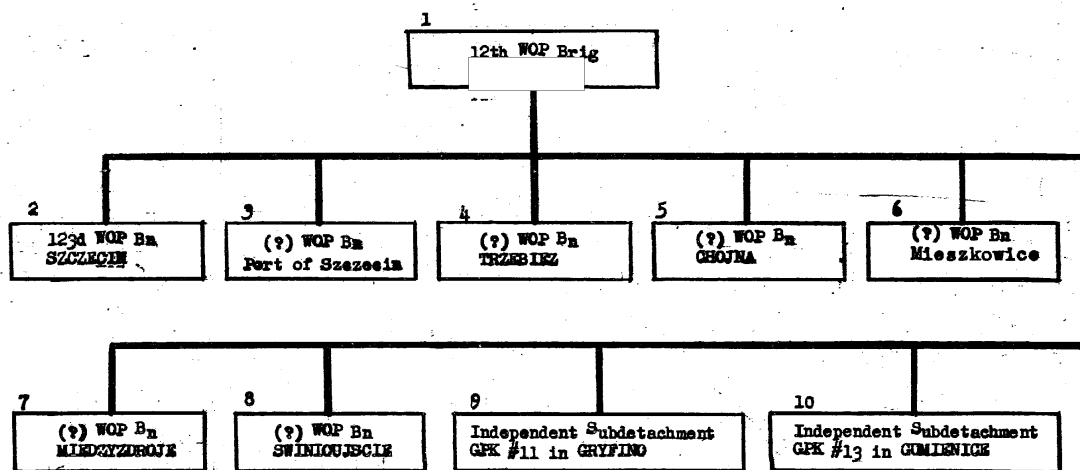
32. The (?) WOP Battalion was located at Trzebiez. The guards of this battalion issued fishing permits and patrolled the forested area near Szczecin Bay. [redacted] sentry post numbers 67 thru 74 were manned by the guards of this battalion.

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Organizational Chart of the 12th WOP Brigade in SZCZECIN (STETTIN) (5325N-1435E)



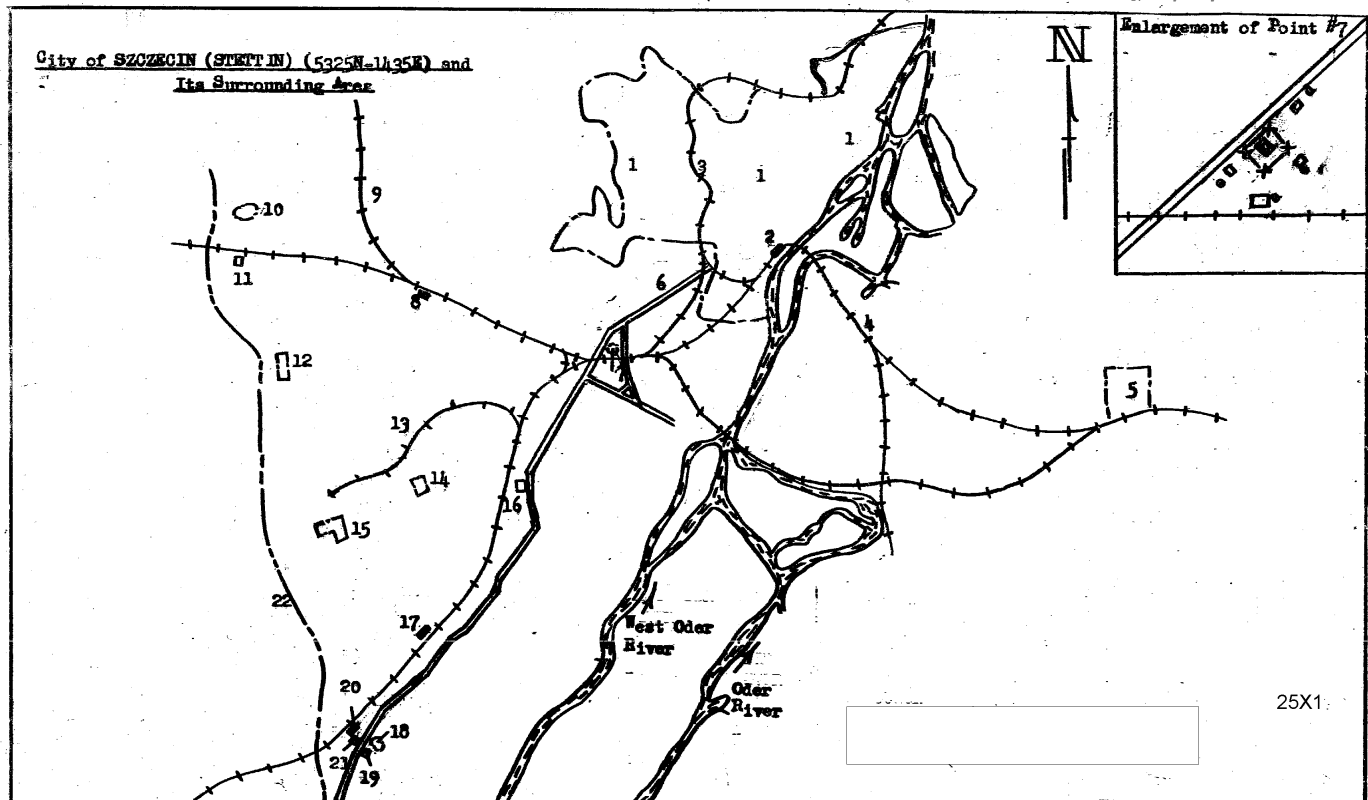
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City of SZCZECIN (STETTIN) (5325N-1435E) and
Its Surrounding Area

Legend

1. City of SZCZECIN (STETTIN) (5325N-1435E)
2. Main railroad station in SZCZECIN
3. Standard-gauge railroad from SZCZECIN to POLICE (POLITZ) (5333N-1434E)
4. Railroad from SZCZECIN to ALTDAMM (5324N-14440E) and STARGARD (5320N-1503E)
5. City of ALTDAMM
6. Highway from SZCZECIN to KOLBASKOWO (KOLBITZOW) (5320N-1427E) and ROSOWKA (NEUROSOW) (5319N-1426E)
7. Railroad station in GUMIENICE and barracks of the Independent Subdetachment, GPK #13
 - a. RR station in GUMIENICE
 - b. GPK #13 barracks
 - c. RR officials' office building
 - d. Civil customs office building
 - e. RR canteen and quarters of RR station master
8. Railroad station in STOBNO (STOEVEN)
9. Railroad from SZCZECIN to DOBRA SZCZECINSKA (DABER)
10. State Farm Settlement in KOSCIN (KOSTIN) (5325N-1424E)
11. Paswalski Point (Paswalski Punkt) of the Independent Subdetachment, GPK #13, on the SZCZECIN-GRANBOW railroad line; border guard station
12. Village of BOBOLINO (BOBLIN) (5323N-1423E)
13. Narrow-gauge railroad track; 90% demolished and track removed
14. Village of KAROW (5322N-1406E)
15. Village of BRONISZEWO (BARNIMSLOW) (5322N-1425E)
16. Village of PRZECIŁAW (PRITZLOW) (5322N-1427E)
17. Railroad station in KOLBASKOWO (KOLBITZOW) (5320N-1427E)
18. Village of ROSOWKA (NEUROSOW)
19. State Custom Police Control Point (Urząd Celny)
20. Berlin Point (Berlinski Punkt) of the Independent Subdetachment, GPK #13, on the SZCZECIN-BERLIN railroad line; border guard station
21. Point Rosowka (Rosowka Punkt) of the Independent Subdetachment, GPK #13, on the SZCZECIN-GARTZ highway; controls vehicular traffic
22. Approximate line of the German-Polish border

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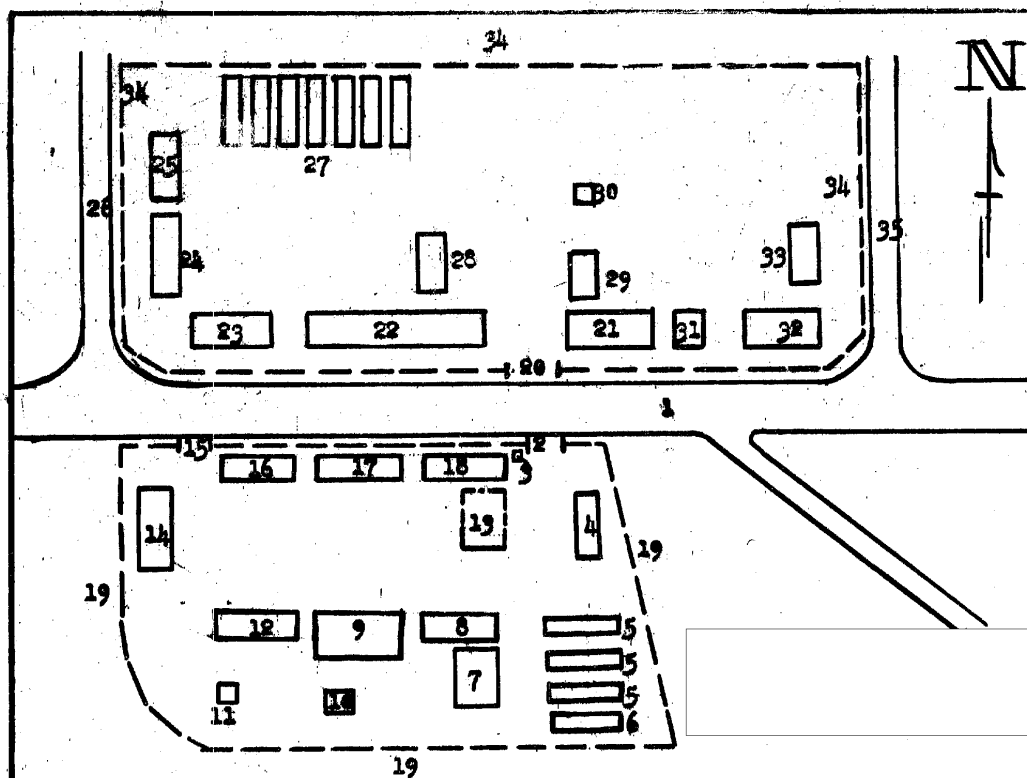
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WOP Caserne and Soviet Infantry Caserne in
SZCZECIN (STETTIN) (5325N-1495E)*

Legend

1. Mickiewicza Street: a double-lane, concrete road
2. Iron-gate entrance to WOP caserne
3. Wooden guardhouse: one WOP sentry, armed with a Soviet PKSh gun, posted here 24 hours a day
4. Officers club: 2-story brick building, approximately 20 x 15 m, with a red tile gable roof
5. WOP garages: three single-story brick buildings, each approximately 40 x 15 m, with tar paper-covered shed-type roofs
6. UB Garage: dimensions and construction the same as WOP garages (point 5, above)
7. WOP vehicle repair shop: about 40 x 30 m; construction same as point 5, above
8. WOP barracks: 3-story brick building, about 40 x 15 m in size, with a red tile, low gable-type roof; it was occupied only during the summer season (June-September) by new WOP recruits
9. WOP gymnasium
10. Stable: all horses used by units of the 12th WOP Brig were brought here for physical examinations and medical care
11. Wooden guard tower: used only for training purposes during basic training period
12. Headquarters building, 12th WOP Brig: 3-story brick building, about 40 x 15 m, with a red tile, low gable-type roof
13. Swimming pool

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WOP Caserne and Soviet Infantry Caserne in
SZCZECIN (STETTIN) (5325N-1435E)

14. Mess for WOP Bn: 2-story brick building, about 30 x 20 m, with a red tile, gable-type roof
15. Iron gate to WOP caserne: closed at all times
16. WOP first-aid station and quarters for personnel of the Communications Company, 12th WOP Brig: 3-story, brick building, 40 x 15 m, with a red tile, gable-type roof
17. WOP barracks: 3-story, brick building, 40 x 15 m, with a red tile, gable-type roof; occupied by WOP recruits only during their 3 month basic training period
18. Barracks for 123d WOP Bn personnel: all suspects apprehended by the WOP guards were brought to this building for questioning
19. A mesh wire fence, 2 m high, topped with several rows of barbed wire; that portion of the fence in front of the caserne (from point 3 to point 15) was constructed of iron rods
20. Iron-gate entrance to Soviet infantry unit caserne
21. Barracks: 3-story, brick building, approximately 40 x 15 m; [redacted] it was occupied by Soviet Army soldiers
22. Barracks: 2-story, brick building, approximately 60 x 15 m; occupied by Soviet Army soldiers
23. Barracks: 3-story, brick building, about 40 x 15 m; occupied by Soviet Army soldiers
24. Mess: [redacted] Soviet Army cooks entering this building from which fact [redacted] it was a mess
25. Mess
26. Concrete road leading to the small arms firing range
27. Seven garages
28. Unidentified building
29. Unidentified building
30. Wooden guard tower
31. A single-story, brick building, approximately 15 x 15 m in size; unoccupied and all windows sealed with wooden planks
32. Barracks: 3-story, brick building, about 40 x 15 m; unoccupied and all windows sealed with wooden planks
33. Unidentified building
34. An iron rod fence approximately 1½ m high surrounding the caserne area
35. Concrete road

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33. The (?) WOP Battalion was located at Chojna (5257N-1427E). In 1950, this unit was the 40th WOP Battalion. Its responsibility was to control Oder River traffic and roads in the vicinity of Chojna.
34. The (?) WOP Battalion was located at Mieszkowice (5247N-1430E). In 1950, this unit was the 38th WOP Battalion. Its responsibility was to perform border patrol. [REDACTED] 25X1
35. The (?) WOP Battalion was at Miedzyzdroje (Misdroy) (5354N-1427E). [REDACTED] 25X1
36. The (?) WOP Battalion at Swinioujscie (Swinemiende) (5355N-1415E), was responsible for the security of the Swinioujscie coastal border and shipping in that area.
37. The Independent Subdetachment, GPK-11, was at Gryfino (Greifenhagen 5315N-1429E). The area of security responsibility for this unit included the control of shipping on the Oder River near Gryfino.

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39. The members of this unit were responsible for railroad security control at the railroad station in Gumienice, and for providing escort guards from Gumienice to the two railroad border control points and return. One railroad border control point was located approximately 400 m east of the border on the railroad line from Szczecin to Grambow (5325N-1421E). A second control point is located approximately 800 m east of the border on the railroad line from Szczecin to Berlin.
40. The actual documents check was performed on all incoming and outgoing trains at the railroad station in Gumienice. The officers and NCOs checked all the passengers for proper documentation (special pass and/or passport) while the enlisted men searched underneath and between the cars for possible stowaways. Upon completion of the search, two enlisted men boarded the train (one in the power car and one in the last car) for escort duty to the border points. Incoming trains from Germany were stopped at the border control points where two escort guards accompanied the train to the

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railroad station in Gumnienice. The third control point of this unit was located on the highway running from Szczecin to Gartz (5312N-1423E) where vehicular traffic was checked.

41. [redacted] Soviet officer, 2d Lt Kazimierz Kashkur, who was assigned to the Independent Subdetachment, GPK-13, in Gumnienice. He was assigned to this unit as a railroad documents control officer and, in such capacity, did not exercise over-all supervision of the unit. He wore the Polish uniform and spoke poor Polish.

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Enclosure (A): Organizational chart of the 12th WOP Brigade

Enclosure (B): Overlay of Szczecin and its surrounding area with Legend

Enclosure (C): Sketch of a WOP Caserne and a Soviet Infantry Caserne in Szczecin with Legend

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